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Responsible Government—establishment of.

118. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Wadakkancheri).*— Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether the Legislative Council almost from its inception had not been agitating for the establishment for responsible Government in Cochin;

(b) whether the Government has done anything as yet to satisfy this demand?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar *(Secretary to Government).*—

(a) There have been representations in the Council for further constitutional reforms.

(b) Government have been considering these representation?

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Wadakkancheri).*—May I know, Sir, when in point of time this representation was made?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar *(Secretary to Government).*—Almost every time during the meetings of every Council one representation or other with reference to this constitutional reform matter has been discussed in this Council. Not once, but several times.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Wadakkancheri).*—May I know whether it had not been started from the very beginning, i. e., the second year of the Council?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar *(Secretary to Government).*—Probably yes.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Wadakkancheri).*—May I know whether any improvement from the point from where we started had been effected during the course of these 12 years?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar *(Secretary to Government).*—With reference to the various changes taken by the Government regarding the closer association of the people with the administration, the Diwan President has been good enough to refer in his opening speech. From it it cannot be said we have not made any advance.

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Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Wadakkancheri).*—May I know whether all that the Government of Cochin has done in this behalf is what is stated in the speech of the Diwan President?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar *(Secretary to Government).*—The answer is already given. With regard to measures that have already been taken the answer is in the speech. With reference to any further measures, Government are considering the question.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Wadakkancheri).*—May I know, Sir, whether their acts of commission in this matter are confined and confined only to what is contained in the Hon'ble Diwan President's speech of the other day?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar *(Secretary to Government).*—I don't perfectly understand what the Hon'ble Member means. If he is referring to acts that have already been done most of them are mentioned in the speech itself. If the Hon'ble Member is referring to the acts that might be done, the Government are considering the matter.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Wadakkancheri).*—I am referring to their past achievements and I, therefore, ask if all that has been done is what is shown in the speech?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar *(Secretary to Government).*—Some of them are mentioned.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Wadakkancheri).*—What are the others please?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar *(Secretary to Government).*—It is not possible to catalogue the others at this moment.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Wadakkancheri).*—Is there any one other than these?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar *(Secretary to Government).*—I cannot give an off hand answer. I want notice.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Wadakkancheri).*—Will you take this as notice?

Mr. President.—This cannot be taken as notice.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Wadakkancheri).*—I will give you notice in writing.

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Will the Government be pleased to tell us whether any action of any description has been taken by the Government ever since the memorable pronouncement was made by the Hon'ble the Diwan President after the discussion of the necessity for the appointment of at least one minister on the motion of the Hon'ble Member for South Ezhuvas during the last Budget Session?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar *(Secretary to Government).*—I have already answered the question. The matter is under the consideration of the Government.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Wadakkancheri).*—May I know whether any concrete action has been taken subsequent to that in furtherence of the same?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar *(Secretary to Government).*—I have nothing more to add to what I have already said.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Wadakkancheri).*—Am I to take it that I need not pursue this point further with supplementary questions?

Mr. President.—He is not able to say anything further by way of reply.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Wadakkancheri).*—In view of the last speech made by the Hon'ble Leader of the Congress Party, on the General Administration Budget, in which a good cause for the appointment of ministers responsible to the legislature was made, may I know whether that speech has been placed before the Diwan of Cochin?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar *(Secretary to Government).*—I don't know whether the speech has already been made ready. If it is a substance of the speech the Hon'ble House may understand the Diwan has already been appraised of the fact.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Wadakkancheri).*—What is the delay due to, Sir?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar *(Secretary to Government).*—Some time will be required for correcting and all that.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim *(Cranganur).*—Am I right in taking that the Government concede the point that some kind of assurance was given by the Government during the last budget session, that an immediate instalment of constitutional reform would be given, to the Council?

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Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar *(Secretary to Government).*—The speech is there. It is not necessary for the Government to interpret it.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim *(Cranganur).*—Do the Government concede that an assurance was given on the floor of the House?

Mr. President.—He has answered that question.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Wadakkancheri).*—May I know, Sir, whether that speech has been handed over to the Hon'ble Member for correction if that is the delay?

Mr. President.—We cannot go on with a series of questions, when the speech is going to be handed over for correction, etc.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim *(Cranganur).*—Can we rest assured that full responsible Government will be sanctioned in Cochin ere long?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar *(Secretary to Government).*—I have already given my answer. I have nothing more to add to the answer I have already given.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Wadakkancheri).*—May I know whether the Cochin Government is aware of the memorable message of His Highness the late Maharaja at the time of the inauguration of this Council?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar *(Secretary to Government).*—Yes.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Wadakkancheri).*—In obedience to that have the Government of Cochin done anything to further associate His Highness' loyal and loving subjects in the matter of carrying on the Government of Cochin?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar *(Secretary to Government).*—The several steps that have been taken to which reference has already been made, were in pursuance of that very message itself.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Wadakkancheri).*—The message itself is on page 107 of your report. What did you do to achieve the objects of His Highness the late Maharaja?

Mr. President.—I think no useful purpose will be served by having supplementary qestions on this topic. I am afraid it cannot be allowed.

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Tenancy Act (Amendment) Bill—passing of.

119. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Wadakkancheri).*— Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) the date on which a Bill to amend the Tenancy Regulation, II of 1090, was passed by the Cochin Legislative Council;

(b) whether the said amending Bill is not one introduced by the Government themselves;

(c) whether the said Bill has been placed on the Statute Book as yet?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar *(Secretary to Government).*—

(a) 30th November 1932.

(b) Yes.

(c) No.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Wadakkancheri).*—May I know whether the Chairman of the Committee appointed to consider this Bill that was passed by this Council on the 30th of November was not an Ex. Chief Justice of our Chief Court?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar *(Secretary to Government).*— Yes. He is an Ex. Chief Justice.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Wadakkancheri).*— Was not the measure that was passed brought by the Government as a compromise between an amending bill brought by the Hon'ble Member for Law now, then the Member for Trippunithura, and the Hon'ble Member for Jenmis then, now the Sirkar Vakil of Trichur?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar *(Secretary to Government).*— That is a matter for inference.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Wadakkancheri).*—I want the information to be supplied by the Government of Cochin.

Mr K. P. Kannan Nayar *(Secretary to Government).*— The Bills are there and the Hon'ble Member can drawn his own inference.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Wadakkancheri).*—Your Diwan then has said: 'Will you be satisfied with, as a matter of compromise between these two warring amendments, an

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